THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

W.P.No.9909 of 2005

Date:14.11.2005

Sripada Venkata Rama Subramanya Sarma.

--------PETITIONER

The Commissioner, Endowments Department, Government of A.P., Hyderabad and another.

---------RESPONDENTS

ORDER:

The petitioner is working as 'Upa Mukya Archaka' at Vanadurga Temple under Sri Veera Venkata Satyanarayana Swamy Devastanam, Annavaram, East Godavari District. He claims to have passed all the tests, which are necessary for promotion to the post of 'Upa Pradhana Archaka'. He has also pointed out the grievance in relation to his being placed at Serial No.2 of the Seniority List of Upa Pradhana Archakas issued vide proceedings, dated 09.11.2004. The petitioner states that he made a representation on 29.11.2004 to the respondents, pointing out his grievances, and complains that no action has been taken thereon. He seeks appropriate directions in this regard.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner, the learned Government Pleader for Endowments and the learned Standing Counsel for the 2nd respondent.

The petitioner states that in the Seniority List issued vide proceedings, dated 09.11.2004, he has been placed at Serial No.2 under the name of one Sri K.Satyanarayana. He has stated number of reasons in support of his contention that he deserves to be placed at Serial No.1 of the Seniority List.

It is not known as to whether the 2nd respondent invited objections from the affected persons before issuing the Seniority List vide proceedings, dated 09.11.2004. At any rate, the grievances of the petitioner need to be taken into account, particularly in the context of promotion to the higher post. Before any action is taken on the basis of the representation submitted by the petitioner, the affected persons have to be heard and given an opportunity. The matter cannot be kept pending indefinitely.

Hence, the Writ Petition is disposed of, directing the 2nd respondent to take appropriate action on the representation, dated 29.11.2004, submitted by the petitioner, duly following the procedure prescribed by law, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. There shall be no order as to costs.

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14.11.2005

Note: Issue C.C. in three days.

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